Examiner, and entry of this amendment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116 is respectfully requested.

The allowance of claims 23-33 is acknowledged with appreciation. The provisional allowance of claims 2-6, 9-12 and 16-19 also is acknowledged with appreciation, and in this connection claims 2, 9, 12, 16, 18 and 19 have been rewritten in independent form as new claims 34-39, respectively, with claims 3-6, 8-11 and 17 being dependent upon the appropriate ones of new claims 34-39. A check in the amount of \$444 is enclosed in payment of the statutory fee for the six new independent claims.

Responsive to the rejections of claims 1, 7 and 14 under 35 USC 102 based on Ray, of claim 8 under 35 USC 103 based on Ray in view of Klocke, of claim 20 under 35 USC 103 based on Ray in view of Linsen, of claim 13 under 35 USC 103 based on Ray in view of Hruby, of claim 15 under 35 USC 103 based on Ray in view of DuHack, and of claim 21 under 35 USC 103 based on Ray in view of Fischer, independent claim 1 is amended to call for the armature pole portion comprising a body of magnetic material within an enclosure of material which is compatible with and corrosion resistant to the fluid delivered by the system. Amended claim 1 is similar to provisionally allowed claim 2 (now independent claim 34) but with a broadened definition of the material of the enclosure. None of the references of record, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests a valve of the type claimed by applicant having an armature pole portion comprising a body of magnetic material within an enclosure of material which is compatible with and corrosion resistant to the fluid being delivered. Accordingly, amended claim 1 together with dependent claims 7, 8, 13-15, 20 and 21 are believed to patentably distinguish over Ray, Klock, Linsen, Hruby, DuHack and Fischer within the meaning of 35 USC 102 and 35 USC 103.

With amended claim 1 being similar to provisionally allowed claim 2 (new independent claim 34) as explained hereinabove, this amendment is not believed to raise any new issues.

Favorable action on this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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